

Church News.

FROM OLATHE, KAN.

I am glad God has given me health and blessings by which I am permitted to write these few lines, by way of report to let you know from this part of God's moral heritage. I closed my evangelistic work March 1, and have now taken up my work for the year. I have four places each month where I preach; trusting many souls may be brought to Christ before the close of my work for the year. When I read the EVANGELIST and see where so many souls have been brought to Christ, by some of our eastern Brethren, it almost discourages us to look back over the past winter to see we have not done more for the Master than we did. But those souls which came and accepted Christ as their Savior came to stay. And that gives us courage not to give up the good cause in which we have enlisted, and let us pray on, that the victory may come by and by in Kansas. We here have the G. B. B. to contend with, and we all know they are not very friendly toward us, but through the help of God we mean to go on and do all we can for the Master, and to bring souls to Christ.

We miss the EVANGELIST of last week, as we did not get it. We love to read it and get all the news from our old state, Indiana, and Wabash county in which Elder Ditch, Summers and others preach, whom we know—and God help the brother who did such grand work at Marion, to bring seventy-nine souls to Christ. For the same work needs to be done in other cities, and can be done if we will take courage and trust in God for his help, for he will do the blessing if we will become in earnest in the work which we must do to accomplish anything. We will close by asking the brethren and sisters to remember us in their prayers, here in the western field, as we need many more laborers in Kansas and other western fields.

April 1.

A. BRUBAKER.

FROM FAIR HAVEN, O.

The Fair Haven Sunday-school was re-organized March 31, with B. F. Swinehart superintendent, and M. B. Painter assistant. Everything seems to be in working order. We still have preaching every Sunday. We also have a King's Children Society, of which Warren Fouch is president, and M. B. Painter vice president, sister Clara Miller secretary and organist. Eld. P. J. Brown filled the Fair Haven pulpit Sunday, March 31. Both attendance and attention were good. Brother Brown's sermons are always appreciated.

WM. KIEFER.

FROM J. B. WAMPLER.

Left my home on Friday, March 29, enroute for McAllisterville, Juniata Co., Pa. Stopped off at McVeytown, Mifflin Co., Pa., preached three sermons in the First Brethren church of McVeytown, had good meetings. One added by relation. April 1, stopped at Maitland, same Co. Preached one sermon in the school building near where the Maitland church edifice once stood, but by some *villainous scoundrel* was no doubt set on fire and reduced to ashes. May the good Father abundantly bless the few faithful and well established sons and daughters of God at Maitland. To day, Lord willing I go to McAllisterville to commence a series of meetings. Brethren and sisters I ask an interest in your prayers.

The meetings held by the First Brethren church of McVeytown, closed on the 18th. As an immediate result there were sixteen added to the church, twelve by confession, renunciation, baptism, and confirmation, the others by relation from the German Baptist church. The meetings were largely attended, and were conducted by Elder J. B. Wampler of Blanco, Armstrong county. On Monday a week the Elder baptized three persons by trine dipping in one minute. There are still several more applicants. A Sabbath school was organized with seven classes and fifty-three scholars. May success attend the good work.—*McVeytown Journal*.

Rev. Wampler has called our attention to a misapplication of terms in our account of his recent administration of the rite of baptism. He states that the church he represents is known legally as the Brethren church, without the prefix Progressive, and that we should have used the word "baptistry" instead of "tank." Our error of statement was due to a lack of knowledge and we are obliged for the correction. We are informed that on the occasion referred to the ordinance was administered to one convert in just 15 seconds by the watch. There will be one or more baptisms at the baptistry near the foundry on to-day Monday, and this will bring the series of meetings to a close for the present.—*Democratic Sentinel, Lewis-town, Pa.*

FROM OLD DOMINION.

Since our last report, four have been baptized, four by confession. The latter to be received in the near future. The little Gospel plant at New Market, Va., is well rooted in the doctrine of Jesus.

E. B. SHAVER.

FROM ROSEDALE, PA.

Last of March closed my engagements as pastor with both the Rosedale and Listie churches. Was pastor of the Rosedale church for three years. And during that time I preached about two hundred sermons and received forty members into the Brethren church. At Listie I preached about one hundred and forty sermons and received four members into the church. Our sojourn at both places as pleasant, and we parted as pastor and people in peace and love. But while I resigned my services as pastor for the present, I want it distinctly understood that I did not nor do not intend to abandon my engagements. With the Lord God being my helper I intend to stay very close to the pulpit. I am now ready to correspond with those who have hitherto invited me to come over and help them. Or any others who may desire my help for a short time. Brother J. H. Knepper is my successor at Listie. And brother Joseph Reighard at Rosedale. Wishing both a prosperous journey I close.

STEPHEN HILDEBRAND.

Johnstown, Pa., Rosedale box.

THE BETHANY CHURCH.

Our church at Bethany is continuing to progress in numbers and activity. Our business meeting held on April 8, decided to have a love-feast on Saturday night, June 1. You are invited. Do not forget the date. She also extended an invitation to the District Conference to hold her session at Bethany this year. The sisters will see that all are entertained and cared for. The Conference is due Bethany. We gave way last year for a sister church. And we can make a success of the Conference because of reasons not essential to mention. The pastor's thanks are due Bethany for a box of good things sent to Carleton by express. They know how to take care of their pastor. Come to our love-feast.

JOHN DUKE MCFADEN.

FROM BRIGHTON, IND.

On March 30 the members of the Brighton congregation, met in our regular business meeting, brother J. M. Fox, our pastor was present. The first after devotional exercises, two, husband and wife, by relation, cast their lot with the Brethren church. "All things work together for good to those who love the Lord" will be understood by those who are acquainted with the circumstances. All the business passed off pleasantly, and as I was chosen correspondent for the EVANGELIST will give the news of interest as briefly and regularly as we can.

M. E. HORNER.